

# Online Worship – July 5, 2020

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Welcome to St. Andrews Lutheran Church in San Mateo, CA and our online worship service. Please feel free to pause this video, you may want to have a lit candle in front of you. Materials you may want to have: small bowl of water, a small bit of olive or cooking oil, bread/cracker/tortilla, and wine/juice. Feel share this bulletin and this worship service with friends, family, or neighbors.

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome**

**“We welcome all people as children of God** and invite them to participate fully in the life and ministry at St. Andrew’s regardless of age, race, education, ethnic origin, marital or family status, cultural heritage, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic reality or diversity of ability. We resolve to be a church with open hearts, open minds, open doors and seeking to be reconciled to God and one another.” St. Andrews voted to be a Reconciling in Christ congregation that has a special welcome for the LGBTQ+ community.

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## Gathering Hymn

“Blood of the Lamb”

*Words by Woody Guthrie, Music by Jay Bennett & Jeff Tweedy*

Are your garments all spotless?

Are they clean as the snow?

**Are you washed in the blood of the lamb?**

Is your soul all spotless?

Is it clean as the snow?

**Are you washed in the blood of the lamb?** *Chorus*

I am washed (**I'm washed**)

In the blood (**In the blood**)

**I'm all washed in the blood of the lamb**

**I'm all clean I'm spotless**

**I'm pure like the snows**

**I'm all washed in the blood of the lamb**

Have you laid down your burdens?

Have you found peace and rest?

**Are you washed in the blood of the lamb?**

I've laid down all my troubles I've found peace and rest

**I'm all washed in the blood of the lamb** *Chorus*

Have you learnt to love your neighbors?

Of all colors, creeds and kinds?

**Are you washed in the blood of the lamb?**

I've learnt to love my peoples

Of all colors, creeds and kinds

**I'm all washed in that blood of that lamb** *Chorus*

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Pastor: We gather in the name of the Creator, the Redeemer and the Sustainer. **AMEN**

## Prayer of Confession

Pastor: O Holy One who is filled with light and love, we try each day to keep your commandments. We find ourselves making mistakes. This doesn't mean that we are failures, but that at times we fail in our goals to love you and to love our neighbors. Help us to let go of guilt and shame. "Help us to take failing, not as a measure of our worth, but as a chance for a new start." We turn our mistakes over to you and ask that you forgive us. In Jesus name we pray. **AMEN** (CWE and the Book of Common Prayer)

## Absolution

Pastor: Jesus told us that we are to forgive 70 x 7 times. We are forgiven each time that we ask. Thank you God for your healing power of forgiveness. This lifts us out of our shame and guilt. Help us now to forgive ourselves. In Jesus name we pray. **AMEN**

## Apostolic Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

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## Hymn of Praise

“I Miss America!” by Steve Eulberg © 2006

There once was a land where a lady would stand  
With her lamp raised at the golden door  
Saying, “bring me your huddled masses, tired and poor”  
Now that welcome don’t seem so welcome any more  
**O—I miss America.**

There once was a place where the whole human race  
Could yearn to breathe free—haven of liberty—  
Land of the brave, home of the free  
Today the fearful forfeit freedom for a lock and key  
**O—I miss America.**

**O say, can you see me, I’m your neighbor  
Like you I struggle and labor  
I pull my own weight and do my share  
And believe, yes I dare  
That though we may differ  
Together we are stronger than apart  
*E pluribus unum*  
O—we are America.**

There once was a time where speaking your mind  
Was a sign that you stood up like a grown man  
And the strong one protected the weak one  
Now the self-righteous belittle the meek one  
**O—I miss America.**

Oh what do you do when the red, white and blue  
Become a cloak to hide dirty laundry  
And a muffle to choke those who disagree  
And the emblem no longer serves to set us free?  
**O—I miss America.**

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Have you ever heard of a high-flying bird  
Who can soar the sky with one wing missing?

Today I stand in my native land  
Turn off the TV and I step out my door  
To neighbor and stranger I offer my hand  
Saying, “this land it is your land...This land it is my land”

***E pluribus unum***

**O—we are America.**

**O—we are America.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

**Giver of Grace, the first week of July is traditionally a time to celebrate our freedom from England and the start of our nation. This year we are looking at the ways that the Native People’s were oppressed and killed and how Africans were kidnapped and brought here as slaves. We wanted out from under an oppressor and then became oppressors of others.**

**Help us, Giver of Life, to create a nation that has justice for ALL people.**

**Help us, to provide basic necessities like food, water, housing, education and health care for all of our citizens.**

**Help us to provide justice for all people. Help us to listen to each other so that all people feel that they are being treated humanely. In the name of Jesus.**

**AMEN**

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## **First Reading      Ezra 3:8-13**

<sup>8</sup>In the second year after their arrival at the house of God at Jerusalem, in the second month, Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel and Jeshua son of Jozadak made a beginning, together with the rest of their people, the priests and the Levites and all who had come to Jerusalem from the captivity. They appointed the Levites, from twenty years old and upward, to have the oversight of the work on the house of the Lord. <sup>9</sup>And Jeshua with his sons and his kin, and Kadmiel and his sons, Binnui and Hodaviah along with the sons of Henadad, the Levites, their sons and kin, together took charge of the workers in the house of God.

<sup>10</sup>When the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the Lord, the priests in their vestments were stationed to praise the Lord with trumpets, and the Levites, the sons of Asaph, with cymbals, according to the directions of King David of Israel; <sup>11</sup>and they sang responsively, praising and giving thanks to the Lord,

“For the Lord is good,  
for the Lord’s steadfast love endures forever toward Israel.”

And all the people responded with a great shout when they praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid. <sup>12</sup>But many of the priests and Levites and heads of families, old people who had seen the first house on its foundations, wept with a loud voice when they saw this house, though many shouted aloud for joy, <sup>13</sup>so that the people could not distinguish the sound of the joyful shout from the sound of the people’s weeping, for the people shouted so loudly that the sound was heard far away.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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**Psalm 5:1-8, 11-12** (Read responsively)

<sup>1</sup> Give ear to my words, O Lord;  
**give heed to my sighing.**

<sup>2</sup> Listen to the sound of my cry,  
**my King and my God,  
for to you I pray.**

<sup>3</sup> O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice;  
**in the morning I plead my case to you, and watch.**

<sup>4</sup> For you are not a God who delights in wickedness;  
**evil will not sojourn with you.**

<sup>5</sup> The boastful will not stand before your eyes;  
**you hate all evildoers.**

<sup>6</sup> You destroy those who speak lies;  
**the Lord abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful.**

<sup>7</sup> But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love,  
**will enter your house,**  
I will bow down toward your holy temple  
**in awe of you.**

<sup>8</sup> Lead me, O Lord, in your righteousness  
**because of my enemies;  
make your way straight before me.**

<sup>11</sup> But let all who take refuge in you rejoice;  
**let them ever sing for joy.**

Spread your protection over them,  
**so that those who love your name may exult in you.**

<sup>12</sup> For you bless the righteous, O Lord;  
**you cover them with favor as with a shield.**

This is the word of the Lord.

**Praise the Lord!**

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## Gospel Acclamation

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Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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**The Holy Gospel**

**Matthew 5:13-16**

<sup>13</sup> “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

<sup>14</sup> “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup> No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

This the Gospel of the Lord.

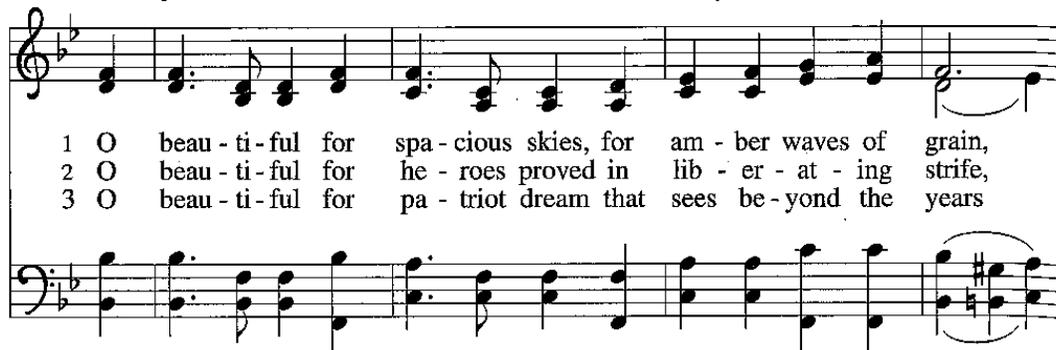
**Glory to you, O God.**

**Sermon**

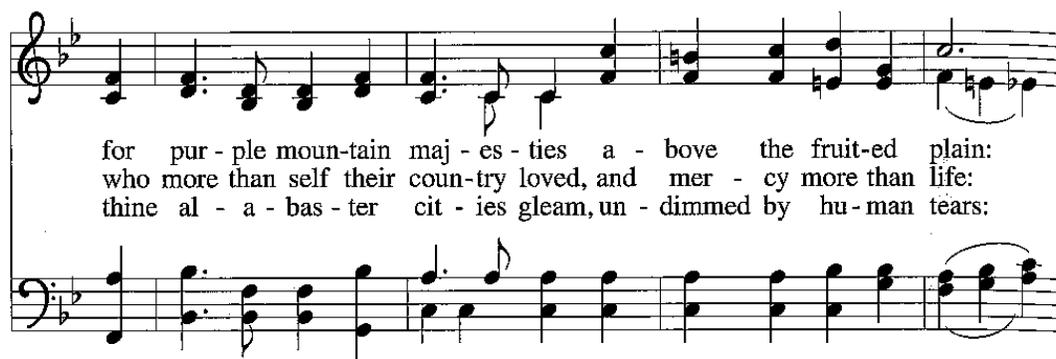
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Sermon Hymn: ELW #888 “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”, Verse 1



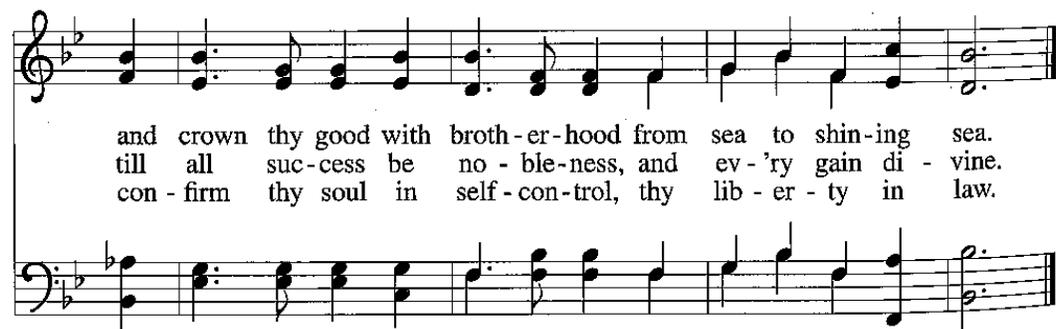
1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,  
2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,  
3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years



for pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain:  
who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life:  
thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears:



A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,  
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine,  
A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - 'ry flaw,



and crown thy good with broth - er - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.  
till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, and ev - 'ry gain di - vine.  
con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.

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## **Apostle's Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

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## Prayers of the People

Forgiving and loving God, we thank you for all the blessings that you provide for us. Many of us have freedoms that are not provided for in other parts of our globe. May we grateful for each blessing that you so graciously give us.

Help us to remember those who fought and died in wars.

Help us to keep ourselves safe as well as our family and neighbors during this pandemic as we keep our masks on and ourselves socially distant when at all possible.

We place in your hands all humans and animals that we know who are ill and in great need of your healing. Send compassionate and talented caregivers, doctors, nurses and neighbors who help in times of sickness.

There are times when anxiety and fear seem to overwhelm us. We realize that your power and healing is what we lean on and need in our lives. Help us, O God. It is in you that we find rest, forgiveness and love.

In the name of Jesus, **AMEN**

## Sharing of the Peace

Pastor: Peace of the Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us share that peace with one another. (PEACE SIGN, BOW)

## Offering

\*I invite you to donate your offering to St. Andrews by sending in a check. You can also donate by PayPal or through our website. Click on the heart on the page. Or you can contact our administrative assistant, Marjorie Goodwin, at the office to setup one-time and reoccurring contributions through our vendor – Vanco, using your checking or savings account.

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## Offering Prayer

Creator God, there is nothing we have that you have not given us.  
All we have and all we are belong to you.

Our culture spends selfishly and doesn't follow your ways of giving to the point of sacrifice and generosity.

God of love, help us to increase our generosity until it can be said that there is no needy person among us.

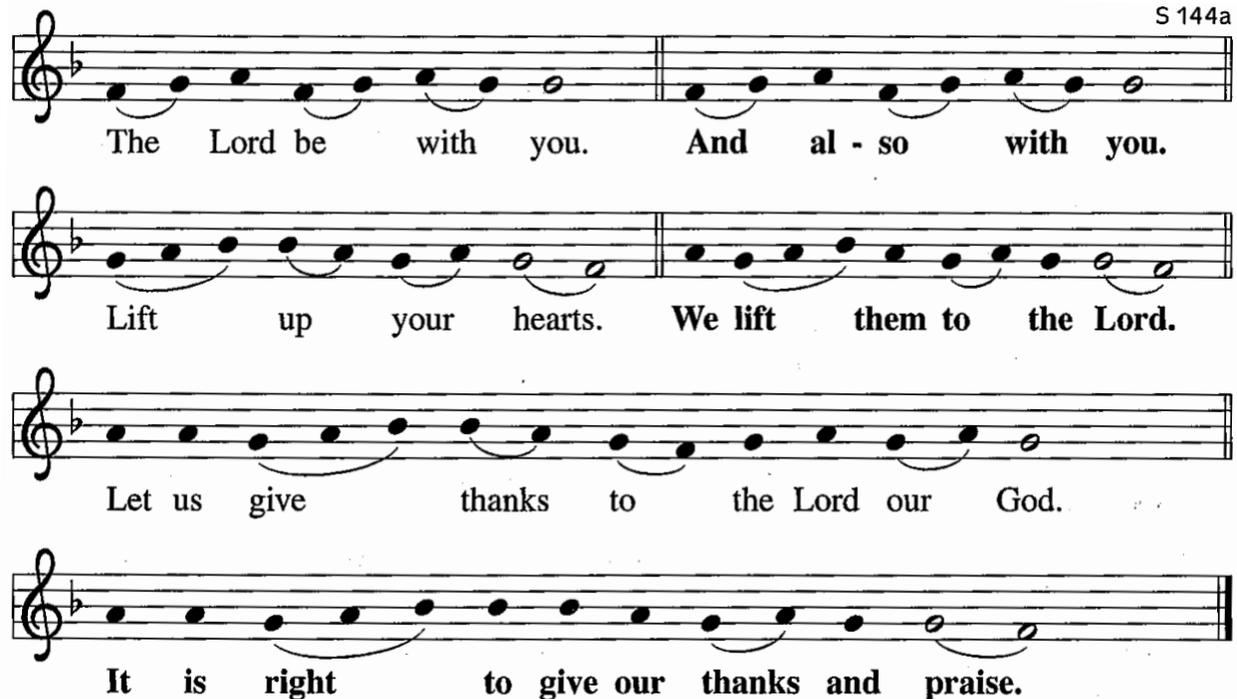
Help us to trust you as we make decisions about our time, talents and money so that we can know that you will take care of us with the true riches of this earth.

Help us, God, to be generous as you are generous. As we follow your way of hospitality, this shows the world that we are followers of Jesus.

**AMEN** (Church Fuel & CWE)

## The Great Thanksgiving

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The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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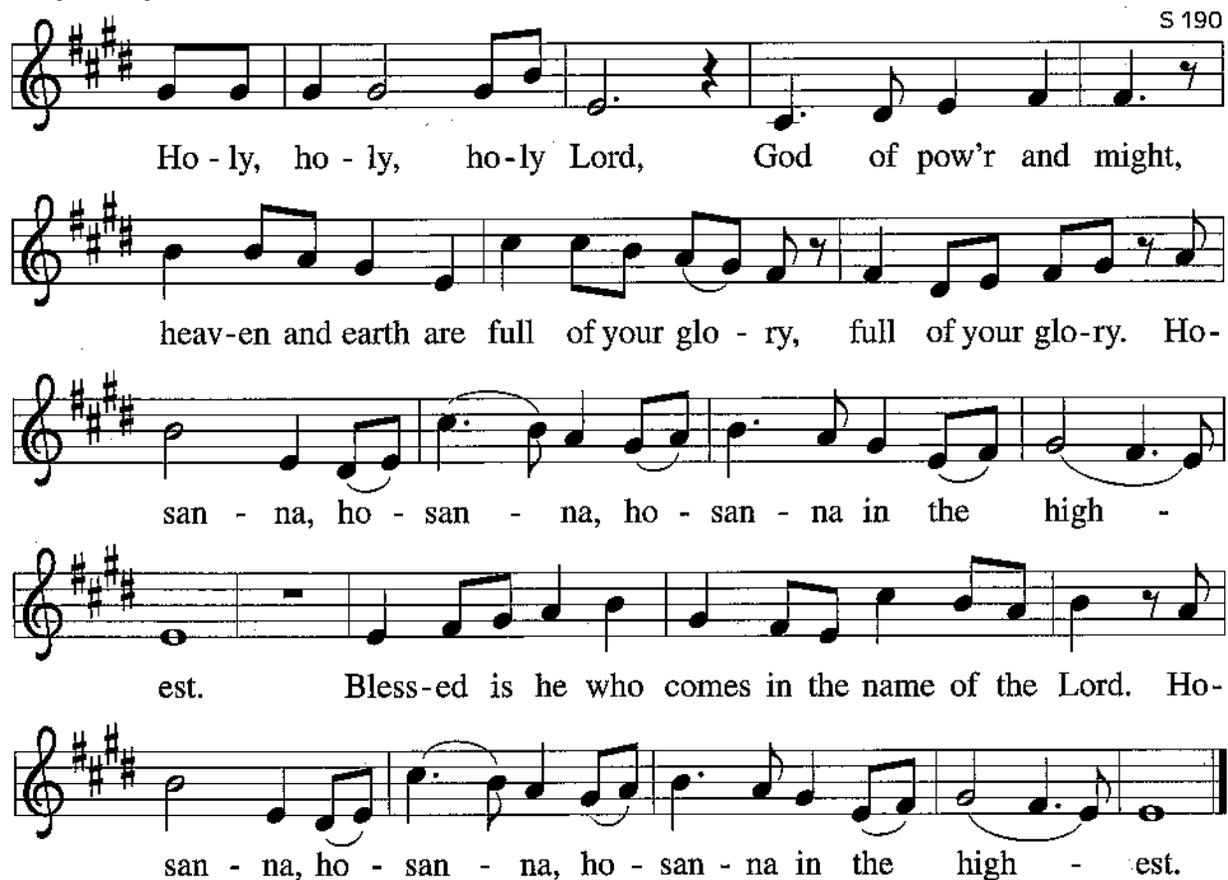
## Eucharistic Prayer

In every place, in every moment, God is present with us.

God was present with Abraham and Sarah when God created a covenant with them. God was with Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob and Leah and Rachel as they traveled their journey of faith. God was with Moses when the Israelites left Egypt and journeyed in the desert. God was with Esther when she saved her people. God came to live among us, to heal us, teach us and love us. Jesus died and rose again to us that death is not the last word—that God brings life everlasting

## Holy, Holy

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## Holy Communion

### Blessing

Pastor: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bless you and keep you in God's grace.

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## Post Communion Prayer

Thank you, God, for being present at our tables today. You are the “Bread of Life” for us and all people. You are the one who keeps our plants and animals going so that we have water and food. This meal allows us to keep walking the path of faith and to look forward to this week with joy and hope. Thank you for your blessings. AMEN (CWE)

## Sending Hymn ELW #538 “The Lord Now Sends Us Forth”

*En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá*  
The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,

*pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.*  
to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.

*Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar*  
The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain

*un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;*  
to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;

*me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.*  
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.

*A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.*  
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.

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## **Benediction**

May the healing hand of Jesus Christ be with you and keep you in God's loving arms. May the peace of God enfold you and bring you joy and comfort. **AMEN**  
*(CWE 2014)*

Leader:                    Go in peace. Share the Good News that God is a great healer!

**Congregation:        THANKS BE TO GOD.**

## **Postlude**